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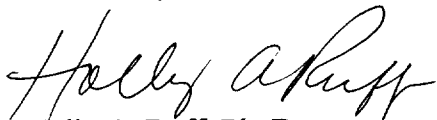
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To Whom It May Concern:

I am distressed about information that I received about a memorandum of understanding drafted by the FDA, because it appears that the FDA is attempting to restrict the extent to which doctors and patients would have access to compounded drugs, particularly if they are compounded in another state. My doctor and I have used the Women's International Pharmacy in Wisconsin as a source of compounded hormones in my hormone replacement treatment. My experience with this pharmacy is that they have excellent quality control over their measurements and that they are fast and efficient in filling prescriptions. It would be unfair, in my opinion, if I no longer had the right to buy these natural hormones from them. Therefore, I urge you to revise the memorandum and remove the restrictions that would hinder patient's freedom to obtain prescription drugs from pharmacies that they trust, whether or not they are in the same state.

Yours truly,

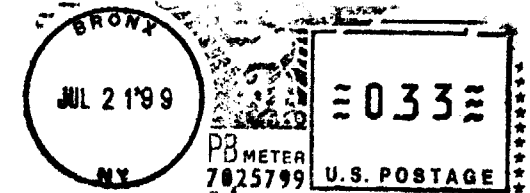


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